

Eddie Sleeper

From: Arlene McGuire <iamcguire444@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2018 10:40 PM
To: Eddie Sleeper
Subject: Testimony for Feb 13 Energy Policy Committee

The email below was sent to all members of the Energy Policy Committee as testimony related to the Feb. 13 hearing. Please include in the records. Thank you.

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Arlene McGuire <iamcguire444@yahoo.com>
To: GaryGlenn@house.mi.gov <GaryGlenn@house.mi.gov>; RogerHauck@house.mi.gov <RogerHauck@house.mi.gov>; TomBarrett@house.mi.gov <TomBarrett@house.mi.gov>; TristonCole@house.mi.gov <TristonCole@house.mi.gov>; JimTedder@house.mi.gov <JimTedder@house.mi.gov>; JosephBellino@house.mi.gov <JosephBellino@house.mi.gov>; DianaFarrington@house.mi.gov <DianaFarrington@house.mi.gov>; BethGriffin@house.mi.gov <BethGriffin@house.mi.gov>; StevenJohnson@house.mi.gov <StevenJohnson@house.mi.gov>; BeauLaFave@house.mi.gov <BeauLaFave@house.mi.gov>; JamesLower@house.mi.gov <JamesLower@house.mi.gov>; JohnReilly@house.mi.gov <JohnReilly@house.mi.gov>; DonnaLasinski@house.mi.gov <DonnaLasinski@house.mi.gov>; scottdianda@house.mi.gov <scottdianda@house.mi.gov>; LaTanyaGarrett@house.mi.gov <LaTanyaGarrett@house.mi.gov>; DarrinCamilleri@house.mi.gov <DarrinCamilleri@house.mi.gov>; BrianElder@house.mi.gov <BrianElder@house.mi.gov>; PatrickGreen@house.mi.gov <PatrickGreen@house.mi.gov>; TimSneller@house.mi.gov <TimSneller@house.mi.gov>
Sent: Saturday, February 10, 2018 07:49:46 PM EST
Subject: Smart Meters Installed and Bills Go UP, UP, UP

Rep. Gary Glenn and Members of the Energy

I understand you are interested in increased bills related to the Smart Meter install. I am a senior citizen and have been on a budget plan with DTE whereby I pay a fixed amount each month. Before smart meters, my monthly bill was \$162 monthly; after smart meter, bill for one year thru Feb 2018 was \$232 -- why? Nothing changed in my usage; I only use dishwasher/do laundry on weekends as I have always done. In addition, I work 40 hours a week outside the home.

Also these meters have a short life -- maybe five years -- and they will need to be replaced. Another cost to the homeowner! Never have had this issue with an analog which has a life of 40 years.

I cannot believe we are forced to accept these horrific devices -- causing harm to people, to their homes and their pocketbook. When did corporations come to have more power than the People? I've had my electric shut off because I refused a smart meter; I've had a fire in my Smart Meter box because of a faulty install by DTE and I've been treated worse than a second-class citizen by DTE throughout these events.

You are representing us, the voters. It is time to really step up and protect us from all harm which is guaranteed us by the U S Constitution. Your doing so will protect your families as well -- none are exempt as long as these smart meters exist.

Thank you for considering to give us a "choice" -- a "choice" which is already guaranteed us by the Constitution of the USA.

Arlene McGuire
Southgate Michigan voter